FISCAL NOTE

SB 2927 - HB 3208

March 28, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates the *County Government Transportation Infrastructure Protection and Recovery Act of 2006.* Requires local governmental entities to obtain all required permits from the Department of Environment and Conservation (E & C), whenever disaster assistance funds have been made available to county or metropolitan highway or public works departments. Waives all applicable permit fees.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Revenues - Up to \$20,000 / Environmental Protection Fund

Assumptions:

- Disaster assistance funds are made available for (1) replacing, restoring, or repairing damages to the county transportation systems, (2) flooding or erosion prevention activities, (3) steam bank stabilization, or (4) other such efforts to remediate damages from flooding or storm events.
- This proposed legislation shall apply to all of the 95 counties in Tennessee.
- The fiscal impact of this bill is dependent upon the number of natural disasters that would occur in the future and the number of permit fees that will be waived.
- According to E & C, some amount between \$15,000 and \$20,000 was collected from such applicable permit fees last year. E & C added that last year was not a typical year. In most recent years, collections ranged from \$0 to \$5,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director